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3-Piece, 2 1/2 qt. (USA) Canner for Quart Jars  
Deep size pot with a seven 1 qt. jar rack for hot water bath canning of fruits, tomatoes and naturally acidic foods.  
• Heats quickly, saves energy.  
• Easy clean porcelain surface resists stains, acids and odors.  
• Just swish in warm water and wipe clean.  
Sterilisateur 3 pieces de 20.4 litres pour pots de 1 litre environ  
Recipient profond muni d'un plateau pouvant recevoir sept pots de 1 litre environ pour la mise en conserve par bain-marie de fruits de tomates et d'aliments naturellement acides.  
• Chauffe rapidement, économise de l'énergie.  
• Surface polie, de lavage facile, résiste aux taches, aux acides et aux odeurs. Rincer seulement à l'eau chaude et essuyer.

- made by General Houseware, Corp. } purchased thru  
Tene (Hante, Len 47804) } pot at Bmer  
# 9.97 } Dept. store today.

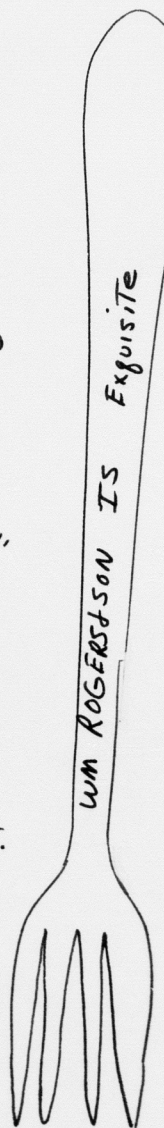
- HAD arrived for week-end & bring me a pot of  
boil; DWP/HAB/SRP- attend auction in Cline-- handle  
- SRP produced Sunday BBC bulletin but SRP  
in early afternoon -- busy &  
received June pay check -- from BBC dinner  
# 13949 for #152.38 fork

- lent Phil both 3 Carbonado maps--  
2 by Sanborn - 1923 & 1930

Phil & his new  
staff writer want  
maps of the old  
mine fire area &  
these maps are the  
ones that show the  
area the best.

No countdown for a very  
busy 10-day period in  
beginning; I will not be  
able "to catch my breath"  
again until July 8th or 9th.

New forks,  
although  
officially  
called  
"Exquisite"  
are not  
what I  
would  
call  
exquisite.  
They are,  
nevertheless,  
very  
serviceable.

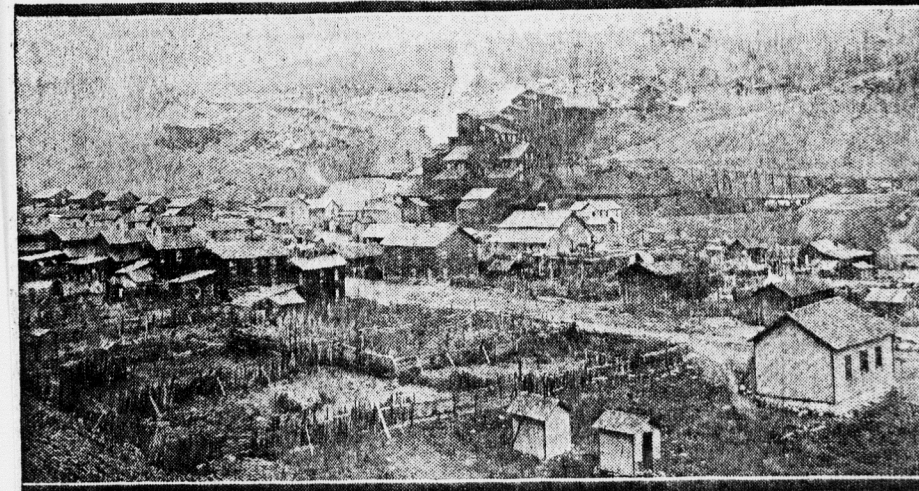


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- HCRP's birthday - her 72nd  
- SRP at luncheon at Golf Course -- taken birthday  
bouquet (from back meadow) -- great success.  
- trip to CPL -- get microfilm for Hasleton trip;  
make xerox copies of selected articles for  
Quinn Phelan; out to Elkdale; Jack & Connie & Richard  
- CHSIM board meeting at Kiefer's. (looking up  
some work)  
- JVB may attend Church at BBC on tomorrow

Hosie Breaker & Simpson Slope  
All mine operated 1891  
29th Street Family Last Family 3x75 Edgerton THE S  
June 1904

# Edgerton, Former Prosperous Mining Town In Midvalley, No Longer Exists



Memories of old-timers will undoubtedly be stirred by this picture of old Edgerton, a mine settlement east of Mayfield, which developed along the same pattern as early boom towns in the west and which, like many of those same boom communities, became a ghost town when the mineral under the earth's surface was exhausted. In the west it was gold that brought boom towns; in Edgerton it was coal -- a rich vein that ran from eighteen to twenty feet in thickness with an outcrop in the forest land, which became the site of the bustling, thriving town of Edgerton back in the 80s. Here and there a part of stone foundations alone mark the site of Edgerton today.

Edgerton was developed by Simpson & Watkins, largest independent operators of the anthracite industry, with mines in Lackawanna and Luzerne counties. One of its operations was the Devil's Eyebrow mine, southeast of the Hudson Coal Company's Powderly colliery, Carbonade. From the Devil's Eyebrow the Clark vein extended for miles to the southeast where it cropped to the surface. Engineers determined the depth of the vein at from eighteen to twenty feet, making it one of the largest in this part of the anthracite field. Engineers also reported that in the area where the vein extended to the surface the coal extended back for some distance. Simpson & Watkins had a slope built into the vein and erected a breaker in about 1883 or 1884. When the slope and breaker were opened, buildings which had been built in a great hurry housed somewhere between 200 and 300 families, all dependent on the Edgerton slope and breaker for their living.

A store was opened, a schoolhouse built, taverns were erected in a hurry and Edgerton stepped out as one of the liveliest and most prosperous communities in the hard coal belt.

When the Clark vein was mined out, operations ceased and people began moving to other parts of the county. In 1904, when the breaker was torn down by the Temple Coal Company, successor to Simpson & Watkins, Edgerton was a deserted village with houses crumbling. For some years only the huge culm pile remained to mark it as the site of a mining town, and in 1921 even this landmark disappeared through the sale of the culm.

The picture produced by The Times today was loaned by Norman R. Brown, vice president of the Edison Coal Company and secretary-treasurer of the Temple Coal Company, now a holding company which has leased out its coal tracts to independents. Mr. Brown is the only present employee of the Temple company who was with it at the time of its organization.

said that he would  
attend before but has  
never followed through.  
Kiefer lent me thru  
Edgerton clipping and I  
made a copy and returned  
the original.

(minutes will be  
shown herein)

I gathered about  
fifteen different  
kinds of wild flowers  
in the back meadow  
and made a very  
beautiful bouquet  
for HCRP for her  
birthday. She loved  
it and it was  
greatly admired  
by all.

and left Kiefer's,  
JVB said, out of the  
blue, that he might  
attend Church with me  
on the morning. We  
(SRP/DWP-HAB) will  
call for him at about  
10:30 A.M. and see  
if he still wants to  
attend. He has